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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Erik W. Jensen
Serial No.: 09/740,103
Filed: December 18, 2000
Title: INTERCONNECT

Examiner: Jose H. Alcala
Group Art Unit: 2841
Docket: 884.386USK

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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The Office communication dated as mailed 8/28/01 states that the reply to the Office action dated as mailed 7/16/01 was not responsive for failure to elect a species. Applicant traverses the requirement to elect a species.

MPEP 803 states: "If a search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions." Applicant elected Group I (claims 1-15) in applicant's response to the Office action dated as mailed 7/16/01. Claims 1-15 include between two and four elements and are drawn to an interconnect and a circuit substrate. Interconnects and circuit substrates can be efficiently and effectively searched concurrently without serious burden to the Examiner. Therefore, applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the election of species requirement and proceed with the examination of the application on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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